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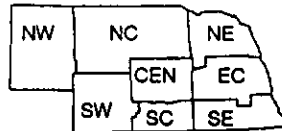
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## WEATHER

Temperatures averaged near normal for the week. Precipitation occurred the latter half and varied from around two-tenths of an inch in the north and central portions up to over one and a half inches in the east.

## GENERAL

Harvest activities made good progress last week but were hindered by high grain moisture content and last week's rainfall, according to the Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service. Producers were waiting as much as possible for crops to field dry before harvesting, but potential future storm systems encouraged harvest at a higher-than-normal grain moisture content. Artificial drying has been necessary in most cases after harvest. Other activities included moving hay to winter feeding areas and fencing stalks for gleaning.

## CROPS

Corn harvest made good progress last week, although many producers were waiting for further field dry down. At 39% combined, the harvest remained over three

## CROPS (Cont.)

weeks behind normal. Artificial drying remained a necessity for most harvested grain.

Soybean harvest was nearing completion in most areas of the State. As of Sunday, 98% had been harvested.

Sorghum harvest also made good progress last week but met delays through high grain moisture and precipitation. At 44% complete, the harvest was about three and one-half weeks behind normal.

Sugar beet harvest continued in full swing with many areas nearing completion.

Winter wheat condition was rated at 26% fair, 57% good, and 17% excellent. Additional moisture remained a necessity in the Panhandle.

## LIVESTOCK

Pasture and range condition was rated at 96% of normal and compares with 66% last year at this time. Producers were busy with weaning and working spring calves. Cattle were being moved to stalk fields as stalks became available. Some supplemental feeding has been necessary in a few areas.

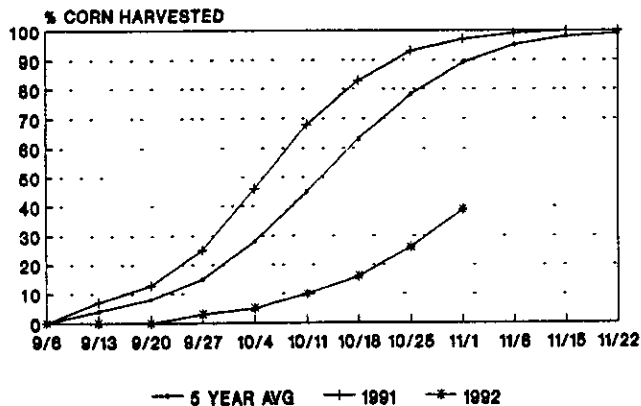
FIELD WORK PROGRESS AS OF NOVEMBER 1, 1992	AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS DISTRICTS								STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	AVER- AGE
	NW	NC	NE	C	EC	SW	SC	SE				
% corn harvested	35	36	26	53	38	19	56	49	39	26	97	89
% sorghum harvested	0	42	43	57	39	21	52	48	44	20	100	94
% soybeans harvested	0	96	97	96	98	86	100	100	98	96	100	98
DAYS SUITABLE AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION AS OF OCTOBER 30, 1992												
Days suitable	50	65	69	60	66	43	57	57	60	69	69	
Topsoil moisture - Short	69	20	15	11	4	33	0	5	19	23	90	
(Percent) - Adequate	31	80	75	89	92	67	100	90	78	76	10	
- Surplus	0	0	10	0	4	0	0	5	3	1	0	
Subsoil moisture - Short	50	20	0	0	0	0	8	0	9	9	88	
(Percent) - Adequate	50	80	85	100	87	100	92	100	86	88	12	
- Surplus	0	0	15	0	13	0	0	0	5	3	0	

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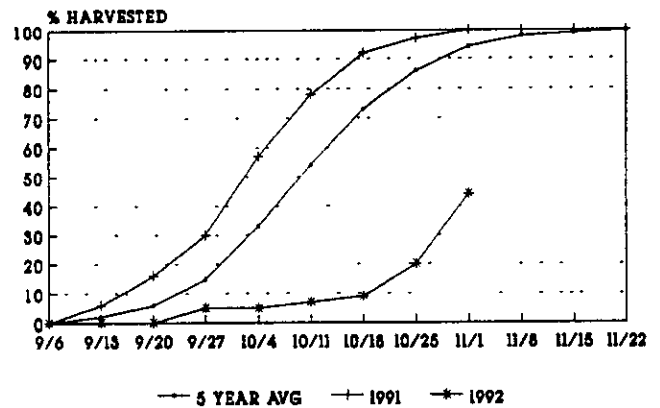
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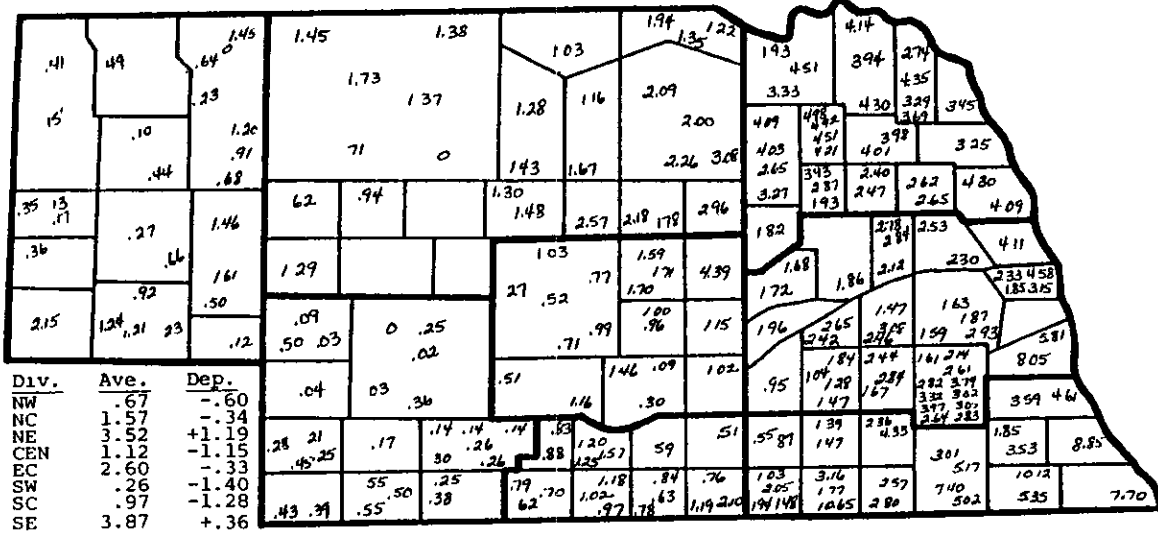
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PROGRESS AS OF SUNDAY

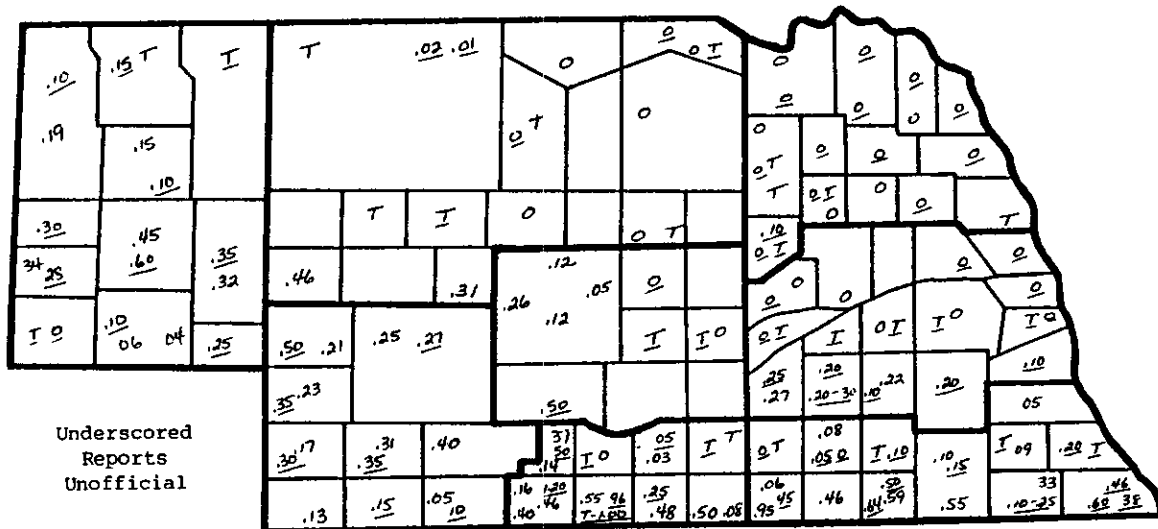
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PRECIPITATION MAP FOR MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1992 1/



1/ Courtesy of the Department of Agricultural Meteorology, Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources, The University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1992



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TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1992

Station	Temperature				Precipitation
	Extremes		Mean	Departure	Total Inches 1/
	Max	Min			
NW Chadron	74	25	44	---	.53
Scottsbluff	71	28	44	0	.53
Sidney	69	26	42	---	.20
NC Valentine	66	24	42	-1	.21
NE Norfolk	69	34	45	0	.49
Sioux City	68	28	45	-1	.41
CEN Grand Island	70	35	45	-2	.19
Ord	67	32	44	---	.05
EC Lincoln	70	32	47	-1	.76
Omaha	68	36	47	0	1.57
SW Imperial	72	30	42	---	.07
North Platte	75	33	43	-1	.27

1/ Precipitation totals not included in map above.